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**NOTICE TO THE TRADE
GROUND BEEF AND FRESH BONELESS BEEF
CONTRACTORS
AND
SUBCONTRACTORS**

The purpose of this notice is to inform all ground beef (TRS-GB) and fresh boneless beef (TRS-BB) contractors and their subcontractors who are eligible under Announcements LS-120 and LS-121, that effective July 1, 2006, the CL and CPu calculations for microbial values on finish products and raw materials, in addition to the Cpk values for fat will restart the "rolling twenty" process assessment. Also, as you were notified at the 2006 Livestock and Seed Industry Conference in Kansas City, Missouri, the new Contractor's Monitoring System will also be implemented on July 1, 2006. The Agricultural Marketing Service designated laboratories have been notified.

If questions arises or further information is needed, please contact Duane Williams, Contracting Officer on (202) 720-2650.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William T. Sessions", written over a horizontal line.

William T. Sessions
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